

Student Evaluation of Instruction Report

Response rate: 45 % of 80 enrolled

Were student ratings for this report collected on the web? Yes

Date of Report: 05/10/2016

Response scale is Likert-type with "5" being high and "1" being low

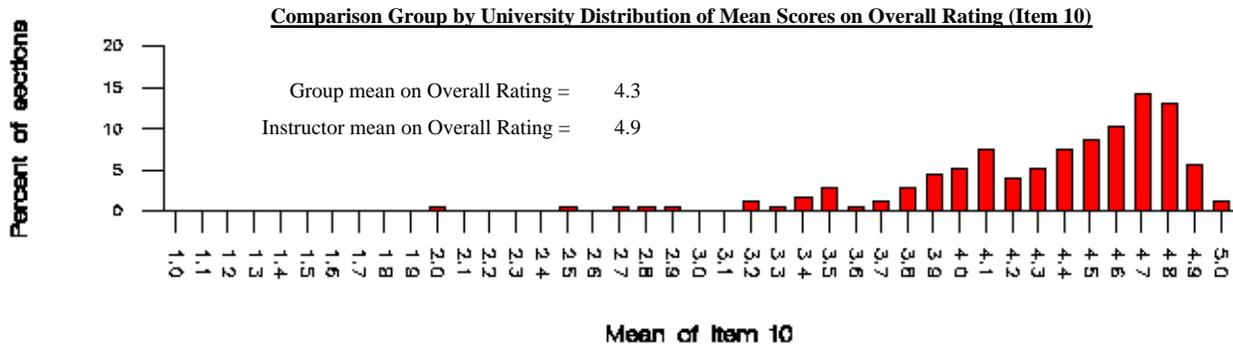
	<u>N</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Instructor's preparedness, organization of material, and clarity of presentation							
1. Well organized	36	3 %	3 %	3 %	14 %	78 %	0 %
5. Instructor well prepared	36	3	0	0	11	86	0
9. Communicated subject matter clearly	36	3	3	0	14	81	0
Rapport and instructor commitment							
3. Instructor interested in teaching	36	3	0	0	11	86	0
6. Instructor interested in helping students	36	3	0	0	8	89	0
8. Created learning atmosphere	36	3	0	3	11	83	0
Students' sense of their own learning							
2. Intellectually stimulating	36	3	0	6	25	67	0
4. Encouraged independent thinking	36	3	0	0	19	78	0
7. Learned greatly from instructor	36	3	3	0	11	83	0
10. Overall rating	36	0	0	3	6	92	0

Your ratings are summarized below. When sufficient data exist, summaries are also provided for up to three reference groups. Your "comparison group" is based on the size of your class and the predominant reason students indicate they enrolled. Comparison group data are reported at both the college and university levels. Over the prior 12 months, 79 instructors and 119 course sections were in your Comparison Group by College, and 129 instructors and 176 course sections were in your Comparison Group by University. Across all the courses using the SEI instrument since 1994, 0.58% of them share the characteristics listed below. The Course-Offering Unit listing is not based on size or electivity; it is a summary of the SEI data across the prior 12 months in your department or school.

Your comparison groups have the following qualities:

- Class size: over 60
- Predominant reason given for enrolling in this course was that it was one of several courses to meet a requirement in the student's major.

	This Instructor		Comparison Group by College		Comparison Group by University		Course-Offering Unit	
	<u>Mean</u>	<u>Std.Dev</u>	<u>Mean</u>	<u>Std.Dev</u>	<u>Mean</u>	<u>Std.Dev</u>	<u>Mean</u>	<u>Std.Dev</u>
1. Instructor well organized	4.6	0.9	4.3	0.4	4.3	0.4	4.1	0.5
2. Intellectually stimulating	4.5	0.8	4.3	0.4	4.3	0.4	4.0	0.6
3. Instructor interested in teaching	4.8	0.7	4.5	0.4	4.5	0.4	4.2	0.5
4. Encouraged independent thinking	4.7	0.8	4.4	0.4	4.3	0.4	4.1	0.5
5. Instructor well prepared	4.8	0.7	4.4	0.4	4.4	0.4	4.2	0.5
6. Instructor interested in helping students	4.8	0.7	4.4	0.4	4.4	0.4	4.2	0.5
7. Learned greatly from instructor	4.7	0.9	4.2	0.5	4.2	0.5	3.9	0.7
8. Created learning atmosphere	4.7	0.8	4.3	0.4	4.2	0.5	3.9	0.6
9. Communicated subject matter clearly	4.7	0.9	4.3	0.5	4.2	0.5	3.8	0.7
10. Overall rating	4.9	0.4	4.4	0.5	4.3	0.5	4.0	0.7



SEI Comment Report

Kirby is awesome. This was my first class with the department of economics and she has certainly left me with a great impression of the department. Very nice woman with great presentation skills. Would absolutely recommend her class.

In the beginning we went through lessons too fast for me to comprehend the topic completely, but after meeting with her they were cleared up. She then focused on going over the topics more in depth which really helped the whole class. Great professor and really cares about her students grades.

Well, where can I start. I absolutely love Kirby. I had her as a TA before in a previous course (Micro Theory I believe) and I wished that she was my professor for that class because she was so good. She communicates the subject matter extremely well and truly cares about helping her students. I've never had a professor at OSU that explains things as well as her. Kirby classes are the classes that you look forward to going to.. She is so polite and very fun to be around. I've had a lot of the so called "best" Econ professors at this school and NONE of them compare to Kirby. Please give her more classes to teach!

While an upper-level econ course is never going to be the most fascinating material in the world, I can honestly say that as I graduate after four years at Ohio State, Kirby was probably the best teacher I've had. She made concepts that can be extremely tough to get a hang of understandable and made sure enough examples and explanations were given that we are completely good on the subject. She was also very open to questions about whatever we didn't understand and gave thorough explanations. It was a great experience in this class.

She is very nice. There for students and very willing to help us succeed.

Great teacher

Very fundamental economic material to learn, and Kirby is very helpful. The class has a very conducive atmosphere. However, this class is way too easier as a senior class? I wish we can have deeper discussion of each model in real life. But overall is a great class.

The instructor was great! She was genuinely interested in helping students learn, understand and succeed. She was one of the best teachers that I've ever had at OSU. :)

Seriously the nicest and most accommodating professor I've had for any economics classes.

This has been the first economics course that I have actually enjoyed! I really like how she teaches us. I feel like Kirby actually cares about me as an individual. It is also really cool that she knows my name in such a big class.

SEI Comment Report

Kirby was a great professor, made the material interesting and easy to understand. Extremely knowledgeable and I learned a ton in this class. The only thing I would've changed was less review from class to class as I felt that people wouldn't go to class because they know the material would be covered again

The difficulty was not too high and the Professor was very engaging. This was one of my favorite classes and I would recommend Professor Nielsen to anyone.

Great teacher, made the dry parts of the subject interesting and easy to comprehend. Fair class

I enjoyed this class, and I learned a lot of applicable material. The only problem I had was that on the first exam, no directions were given, and not until after the exam I learned how it was to be taken. Yes, it was obvious because the instructions were given per page, but under pressure and time constraints not everyone will read every single word. Her exams are however less difficult once you know how they work. I just wish she'd give the students a warning or let them know of how they are set up. Overall, great class and taught the material in an understandable way.

Professor Nielsen was very nice and helpful. She was helpful every class session and I liked the notes she allowed us to use on test day. For me, there is nothing I see she needs to improve on or do better. I was satisfied with the class.

She is nice. Her lectures are well organized and she explains materials clearly!

I loved this class. Kirby did a great job and the material was very interesting. I also like how the course is graded because though I did poorly on the first exam, I did very well on the second and am expecting to do just as well on the final, so my grade will be okay.

Great teaching from such a young person.

Some inconsistencies between what was taught in lecture/the textbook and what we were expected to know.

Kirby was always prepared with lecture notes for the day. She presented the material in a simple, understandable way and was always willing to answer questions throughout. Personally, I thought the class was too simplified for a 4000 level class and that the material moved too slowly. We would spend several days on the same kind of problem, when one day was sufficient. Then on top of everything, we got to have ALL of our notes for the exam which just meant that you plug in different numbers in the same problems to solve. Overall, Kirby was a good professor, but the course was too simplified.

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Rapport and instructor commitment							
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10. Overall rating	43	0	0	2	26	72	0

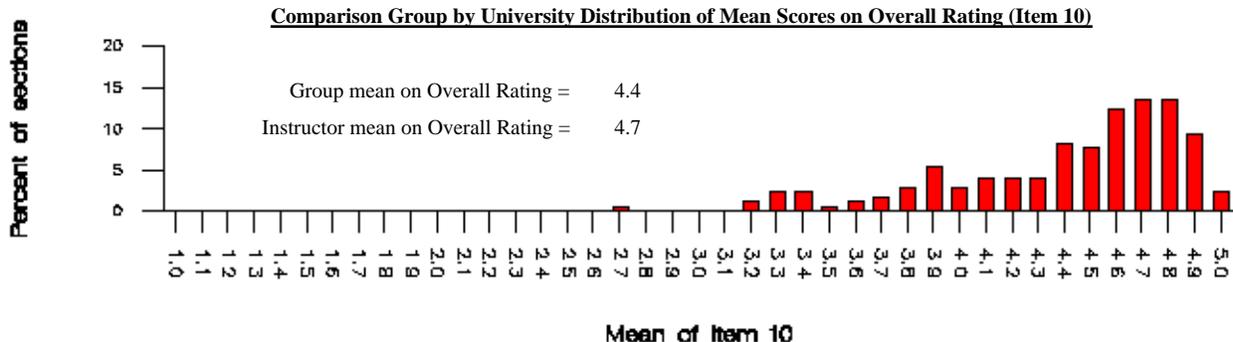
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Slow pace to the class. Other wise she was terrific at communicating he subject matter.

Sometimes our instructor is unable to explain questions clearly

I thought Kirby did a great job teaching and communicating with the class. The tests were challenging but she gave us all the resources to do well. I am happy I took this class with her.

Professor was excellent and clearly had a mastery over the material. However, the content of the class was fairly dry and basic.

At the beginning of the course she said that the book wasn't needed but I disagree, I highly suggest that the instructor recommends for people to get the book and have them read before class. Besides that, Kirby is a great lecturer and I have really enjoyed her class!

Kirby was an awesome teacher! She really had a hold on what we were learning about and communicated it really well. The pace of the class was great. One thing I would have liked is more discussion around the concepts we were working with. I felt like the class really focused on solving problems but I would have loved to learn more of the background of the topics.

Kirby was a good instructor, however I have no idea what this class has to do with Government & Business. This class was basically a rehashing of everything learned in microeconomics. No significant ties to government regulation and business operations were made. This class needs major restructuring or a name change. I do not think it is right to blame this on the instructor. She was well prepared, interested in teaching, and willing to help students. The grader for this course was by far the worst I have ever had in my college career, but Kirby was understanding and helped correct mistakes by the grader.

By far the best GA I've ever had, ranking in the top of any prof as well. Combines the professionalism of a prof with an empathy for students not many lecturers have. Love all the extra credit opportunities as they actually help me learn as opposed to other class' extra credit assignments.

Kirby is an excellent instructor, always explaining things in a clear fashion. She is clearly prepared for every lecture and enthused about the material. My only complaint is that I felt some of the math dragged on and on as she explained it thoroughly. For me, the algebra was pretty simple and spending so long on it felt like a waste of time. That really is more my fault, as I didn't realize there was a calculus based version of this class when I signed up for it. I wish her luck with pursuing her PhD!

She is one hell of a great instructor / professor.

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Kirby works very hard to make sure all students are supported in the classroom. She collects feedback mid semester to make sure she is doing a good job and take constructive criticism to do better. She take the time to reach out individually to explain concepts to students. She also has a strong command in not only the information, but also how to teach it. Kirby will make a great professor!

Professor Kirby is the best! I am taking her class to fill my econ minor requirement. She is really intelligent and makes concepts crystal clear! She is also very understanding. Back in February, I was really sick due to the cold weather so I had to miss a midterm. She offers a really flexible grading policy that allows students to replace midterm 2 for midterm 1 if students regularly attending lectures and participating in classes. Professor Kirby also cares about how students perform in her class and interested in helping students to learn. One of the best econ professor I had during my undergraduate studies

Best professor I've had in my three years at OSU. She took concepts that I've been struggling with for years and helped me understand them.

Professor Nielson was well prepared and made the content of the class very interesting.

Very good class, well taught with interesting subject matter.
